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Students To Vote on NSA Question

KSM to Open Station Soon

"A Matter of Days" Rainey Tells Group

Almost ready to start operatin, the Amateur Radio Club of Saint Mary's College, are readying the campus station for first day ceremonies. Charles Rainey, senior director of the project, told the Collegian office in a special report that the station will be "in operation within the next week."

During the past few days KSM has been testing its equipment in preparation for their broadcasting, which is expected to last four hours each day. Rainey explained that KSM will be found in channel 650, which is close to the major stations, and one of the best spots on the dial.

STRONG VOLUME

There will be no interference from other stations, and it is anticipated that KSM will be as strong in volume as any high powered bay area station.

Tom Saunders, assistant director in the project, reported that "sufficient progress" had been made in the station to warrant immediate broadcasting. However small details will have to be ironed out before actual, daily broadcasting can be achieved. Rainey has been holding meetings with his group, and a staff has been chosen to handle all aspects of radio broadcasting.

Rainey admitted he was "a bit worried" concerning Petrillo's latest crackdown on recording making. "Although this action by Petrillo does not affect us," Rainey said, "I cannot help but worrying about his asking for royalties on each record we play on KSM. He has not bothered College stations like this in the past, and I do not think it likely now, however there is nothing to prevent Petrillo from taking this action."

GOOD SENDOFF

Concerning opening day activities, Rainey had nothing definite in mind. "However," he said, "we hope to have a few dignitaries on hand to give the station the necessary publicity for a good sendoff."

The Amateur Radio Society will begin its operation of the station with only a limited amount of equipment. The lack of money has forced the group to make only meager purchases, while building the rest from salvaged radio parts. The group received the technical "know how" from the Stanford radio station, which the group visited last month.

BEGUN THIS TERM

Under construction since the beginning of the present semester, the radio station represents the culmination of a plan instituted last semester by a group of radio-minded students. Through the efforts of Rainey, Saunders, and Charles Oliver, the radio club finally received sanction from the Executive council in the form of a $300 loan. This loan enabled the Club to purchase needed equipment, and procure other materials for the building of the station.

The radio station is located in the attic of Dante Hall, and is complete with glassed-in booths, and a recording studio.

Thirty-nine Men Eligible for APGU

Thirty-nine men were informed yesterday afternoon that they are eligible for membership in the Alpha Pi Gamma Upsilon. Bert Callen, chairman, and Dr. James L. Hagerty, moderator, addressed the candidates in a meeting held in Dante Hall.

Alpha Pi Gamma Upsilon is the campus honor society. Preliminary requirement for elibibility is two consecutive semesters of work done at Saint Mary's, maintaining a minimum average of 2.0. At the present time there are only nine members in the society.

Senior Ball Set For Friday at Fairmont

Bids on Sale Now for Three Dollars; Dance To Be Strictly Formal

Friday, January 16, has been set as the night for the Annual Senior Ball. This year the dance will be held in the Gold Room of the Fairmont Hotel. The music will be that of Ray Hackett and his orchestra.

Hackett will be remembered as having been featured in such places as the Rose Room of the Saint Francis Hotel and the Mural Room of the Palace Hotel, both in San Francisco.

MUSIC MAESTRO—Providing music for the Senior Ball next Friday night at the Fairmont Hotel will be the popular band of Ray Hackett.

This particular social function, which is a traditional event of the school season, will follow its usual formal attire ruling. Although sponsored by the senior class, the dance will be open to the entire student-body, it was disclosed this week by Charles Rainey, president of the senior class.

Bids are on sale now for three dollars per coupie. The bids may be secured from any of the three committee members for the dance: Larry Daly, Harold Benassini, and John Maffeo.

ALWAYS POPULAR

In the past the Annual Senior Ball has been the most popular and important dance of the entire school year. The dance has always ben held just before the close of the first semester. The date has been so scheduled in order that those seniors graduating in mid-year may attend this gala affair. Another prominent feature of the Ball is that it is the only strictly formal dance of the entire year.

"In making plans for the important social feature of the school year's, stated Rainey, "the senior class is cooperating wholeheartedly in making this year's Senior ball the most successful in the school's history. To do so, we realize that a tremendous task confronts us, for past senior classes have conducted extremely successful senior balls. Nevertheless, it is our hope to surpass even their commendable efforts."

Movies Will Be Resumed

With the opening of the Spring Semester the Sanctuary Society will resume its monthly movie show, according to Father Moss, moderator. The movies will be shown in D-201 as was the custom last year.

Five first class pictures were shown by the Society last semester which included, "Keys of the Kingdom," "Song of Bernadette," "Charley's Aunt," "The Miracle of Guadalupe," and "How Green Was My Valley." No definite selection has as yet been made for the opening attraction.

30 MEN LISTED

More than 30 men are listed on the Sanctuary Society roster but only about two-thirds of the number actively participate in the Society's activities. A meeting will be held next week to determine the members who will be dropped from the rolls. An appeal is also issued to students who would like to learn to serve Mass but as yet have not had sufficient training.

Students interested in serving are requested to contact Tom Lorenzini, president of the Society, in Room C-318.

90 BROTHERS CONVENE HERE

Attended by 90 Brothers from schools all over California, a convention of Christian Brothers was held on December 29, here at Saint Mary's.

The convention began in the morning the address "Present Status of Accreditation in California," delivered by Brother Lambert, Dean of Men, three talks on "The Library" by Broth Damian, Brother Dennis, and Brother William from Los Angeles.

In the afternoon Brother Alexander and Brother Albert spoke on the topic "Public Speaking." An open forum was held under Brother Alfred, a visitor, and the panel included four Brothers.

There was also a meeting of the vocation chairmen with Brother S. Edward in the student lounge.

Sophs Plan Picnic; Slate Mixer Dances

At the first Sophomore Class meeting of the new year plans for a picnic were set. Money was appropriated from the class treasury to cover the expenses of steaks, french fries and beverages. The location and date for the picnic are as yet tentative.

Mixer dances with Lone Mountain and Dominican were discussed and dates were set for the coming semester.

TO PURCHASE GAEL

Discussion centered on the purchase of a year book and finally it was decided that a Gael would be purchased by the class for the general use and reference of the student body. The idea is to establish a tradition by which each Sophomore Class would purchase a year book and place it in a permanent file for the use of everyone.

Yusuff Ganey was appointed to the office of secretary which was vacated by John Stylslinger last year.

Warning -- Leap Year Dance At Holy Names

Starting the new year off in the leap year vein the Sophomore Class of Holy Names College is holding a spinster dance, at which the girls ask the boys to dance, on the Oakland campus tonight at 8:00 p. m.

Although the dance is for sophomores, Van Dunahoo, contact man for the dance at Saint Mary's, stated that a few students from the other classes will be allowed to attend. Sign up lists have been posted in Dante Hall and all those interested in going are asked to sign their names or contact Van Dunahoo in room 322, Senior Dorm.

Local Vital Statistics

Marriages, Births Fill Gael History

Vital Statistics on Saint Mary's campus took a sudden turn upward over the Christmas holidays with the report that some four men had taken the matrimonial plunge, while two received visits from the stork.

With the final results not yet tabulated (financial and parental problems interfering) the count is expected to jump to ten marriages, while births, being unpredictable, and not the responsibility of the **Collegian,** may go to three, within the next month. However, the following men have accounted for their steps over the vacation:

VAN GIESON-SPECTOR

Henry Van Gieson was married to Miss Lou Ann Spector on the fourteenth day of November. The mass took place in Walnut Creek at the Saint Mary's Chapel. Father Moss, college chaplain, officiated. Henry Decker was best man at the ceremonies.

A surprise announcement party was given at the bride's former home in Fresno on December 20. Lou Ann is 21 years of age and a graduate of Mills College in Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Gieson spent a belated honeymoon in Salt Lake City. They later plan to make their home in Oakland.

THOMPSON-SOUZA

George Thompson '50 married Miss Betty Souza of Oakland on January 1. The ceremonies took place at Saint Leo's church in Oakland. They, also, plan to live in Oakland.

CARR-CASTNER

Regis Joseph Carr, Jr., was married in San Francisco at the Star of the Sea church, to Miss Juanita Castner on December 27. Juanita is a senior student at Lone Mountain College.

HERRENBRUCK-CARDINAL

David Harrenbruck also announced his marriage to Miss Ethel M. Cardinal. They were married in Saint Augustine's church in Oakland on December 27. Ethel now works in San Francisco and was formerly from Minnesota. David is an out-of-state student at Saint Mary's College from Montana.

They met each other at a football game in Los Angeles in 1946. They were engaged for six months before the marriage. Robert Kozlowski was best man at the marriage.

THIRD CHILD

Beryl and Claude Menkee announced the birth of their child, (the third offspring) Nicholas Reynold Menkee. He was delivered into this world at the Permanente Hospital in Oakland on December 16. The weight of the baby was 8 pounds 6 ounces. Claude is the father now of two boys and one girl.

Claude states, "If any Saint Mary's students are having any trouble in mathematics, I will be glad to render them professional advice."

SON BORN

Alice and Thomas Scully also announced the birth of their first child, Stephen Thomas Scully. He was born at Alta Bates Hospital in Berkeley on January 6. The attending physician was Dr. Lamb. The child weighed 8 pounds even, upon arrival.

There will be a Collegian meeting Monday at 12:30 in the Collegian office.

Assignments will be handed out and group picture will be taken for the Gael yearbook.

Variety Show In Lounge

A Variety Show will be presented by the Dramatic Club next Thursday, January 15, in the Lounge at 9 p.m. This entertainment is being given primarily to inaugurate Dramatic Club activities here on the campus.

A one-hour program of drama, comedy and music are in rehearsal now. Two dramatic skits, one a faculty presentation and the other a student production will be given. A comedy dance routine, vocalists, and instrumental varities will complete the program.

REHEARSALS

Chuck Evans, chairman of the committee arranging the program. requests that any students interested in appearing in this Variety Show can do so by attending the rehearsal to be held 3:30 p.m., Monday, January 12, in the Lounge.

Mr. Meyer, Dramatic Club moderator, with this Variety Show hopes to gather together the various talents represented among the students.

REPORT ON INVESTIGATION—Studying over the report they will make to the ASSMC next Wednesday on possible entry into the National Students Association are left to right: Bert Callen, Dan Arzac, and Val McKeever.

Council Opens Year Quietly

Controversy Flares Over Association Membership

Wednesday's Executive Council meeting generated many sparks but little heat when past expenses were hastily explained following reports by the Jim Doud Committee and the ASSMC treasurer.

Although a flare-up threatened during discussion of the National Student Association, good feelings were maintained by humourous turns in the debates about female rooters and the cheer leaders' shoes.

SPECIAL ELECTION

Dan Arzac's motion for a special election January 15 to decide, "Shall the Associated Students of Saint Mary's College become a member of the United States National Student Association," although finally passed, caused more debate than any other single issue.

Against Emil Tangetti's frequent dissent, Arzac explained that the Catholic Intercollegiate Council had investigated the matter and had recommended that its members affiliate themselves with the NSA.

The ASSMC president had appointed a committee to present the question to the student body, and because every student would be a member, it could not be considered the work of any individual pressure group, Arzac maintained.

Tangetti remained persistent in trying to ferret out hidden backers for the proposal. In this search, he was aided by Jack Buick.

FINANCIAL ASPECTS

Discussio nof financial aspects showed a $50 annual fee and the expense of sending delegates to conventions. It was reported that the University of Santa Clara and the College of Holy Names paid about $200 for each delegate to the Wisconsin convention a year ago.

Mario Cotruvo's objection that the NSA was primarily for student protection and that Saint Mary's students need no protection brought a sharp rebuke from Arzac, who accused Cortruvo of a one-sided outlook.

"We must see that the organization remains Christian and democratic at all times," Arzac declared.

Controversy about the information to be presented in the Collegian brought Buick and John Sutthoff into the fray with Arzac and the ever-present Tangetti.

Tangetti's assertion that "They're only printing one viewpoint" was refuted by the statement of **Collegian** policy as "information, not opinion."

FREE BIDS

A motion to give free ball bids to the 14 seniors graduating this winter was introduced by Henry Buckingham.

Such a gift would be in lieu of the traditional banquet for which the seniors were personally forced to pay this semester.

Jack Buick opened the question of the Russian Mass donation, but Val McKeever showed that more than $50 was received from the collection and that the ASSMC treasury provided only a similar sum. The college likewise made a contribution, it was learned.

HAND-ME-DOWNS

Problems of the Yell Leaders' equipment provided a variety of interpretation of the original grant. Cheer leaders now are wearing borrowed or handed-down blocks and clothing that must be returned to the student body.

Practicality of such return was questioned, and Brother Albert reminded the Council that personal possession of a sweater was not only traditional, but also reasonable and practical.

At Bob Lustenberger's request, Lou Desmond told that because of outstanding participation, 23 men of both the winning team and the runner-up were invited to the intramural football banquet.

DOUD REPORT

The Doud Committee report on loans and appropriations was principally informative, but

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Brickpile Hits Stands

By DAN HURT

The Brickpile went on sale in the dorms last night and in the Co-op today, or at any other time at the magazine stand.

This issue of the Saint Mary's literary magazine included the prize-winning entry of the photographic contest, three short stories by Paul Raymond, Richard Petersen, and Danny Hurt, poetry by Al Hackbarth, Dan Arzac, Bill Stevens, and Steve Lockett; humor by Mike Tobin, Mario Cotruvo, Dr. Fee (a State Penn-name), and Phil Kenny.

Also in the issue will be the surrealistic article, "The Fifth Run of The Number 2 Car," by Phil Kenney; the important "Palestine and the Peace," by Al Hackbarth and Pat Henderson; the well-thought-out "Of Machines and Men," by Don Rauber and the uplifting "A Prayer of St. Joseph," by Al Ryan.

As to the cover by Steve Lockett, the editors say that it "graphically portrays a primary purpose in the publication of this magazine. By encouraging deep thought in writing and fostering appreciation thereof, we may bring some to the important realization that "the pen is mightier than the sword."

The editors of this second edition of the Brickpile are Dick Desmond and Bill Kelly. The business manager is Bernon Erickson, and the circulation manager is Dave Self.

The moderator is Brother Robert.

Alumnus Donates Apologetics Books

The initial donation for the Alumni book drive was received last week here at Saint Marys in the form of a set of books entitled "The Fathers of The Church." The book set was sent in from an anonymous alumnus with a note attached:

"It is hoped that the faculty and students will find in them inspiration to discover and defend the truths of faith."

The current drive for books is part of an alumni plan to enlarge the College library.

"Membership in NSA Vital" States Lazio

Privileges, Grants Given Students Participating In National Organization

Approval for Saint Mary's College membership in the National Student Association is the primary reason for the student body meeting scheduled to be held next Wednesday, January 14, stated Frank Lazio, student body president.

"It is vitally important," declared Lazio, "that Saint Mary's college become members of this National Student Association, not only for the many student benefits that may be derived from this association, but especially to make the forces of Catholicity felt in this comparatively young organization."

History, Growth Of NSA Cited

Chuch Gives Approval

Next Friday's election will decide whether or not this student body is to affiliate itself with the United States National Student Association. Membership in the NSA was recommended by the Catholic Intercollegiate Council, upon which student president Frank Lazio appointed a committee consisting of Dan Arzas, Bert Callen and Val McKeever to further study the question.

NSA arose out of the 1946 Prague meeting of the International Union of Students. American observers, of whom one-third were Catholics, decided that work done by foreign organizations was worthwhile, and that some analogous society should be formed in this country.

Later that year a preliminary convention was held at the University of Chicago, and in 1947 a constitutional assembly convened at the University of Illinois. At this meeting 1,100,000 students from 351 colleges and universities sent 702 delegates, 35 per cent of these were Catholics, and Notre Dame was instrumental in the formulation of the resulting constitution and by-laws.

RAPID GROWTH

Rapid growth has characterized the new association, according to Bert Callen. In the California-Nevada-Hawaii region a regional convention was held at Stanford University in November, 1947, to which Callen and McKeever went as official observers for Saint Mary's.

Stormiest issue has been the possibility of NSA's affiliation with the International Union of Students, since the latter is suspected of Communistic tendencies. NSA has indicated its willingness to cooperate with foreign student associations in student exchange programs, low-cost travel tours, student relief and rehabilitation, and limited cultural activities, but not in politics.

At the 1947 Wisconsin meeting NSA conditioned its relations with the international group on its recognition as the sole organization representing United States students. As such, no decision of the foregn group specifically tepudiated by NSA is binding on America, nor is it representative of American student opinion.

On the national level, the NSA has complete autonomy, and it reserves the right to pass on American students employed in any capacity by tne internation union.

BILL OF RIGHTS

Such rights as that of every student to a college education, and that of free research and student exchange, have been incorporated into the association's by-laws, according to Arzac. Other such rights include freedom of students to invite speakers, to petition through proper

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NSA BENEFITS

Benefits to be derived from membership in the NSA include the obtaining of lower rates for students who wish to study or travel abroad; eligibility for foreign scholarships; reductions allowed for airline travel, merchandise, concerts, etc.; privileges for obtaining guest speakers; grants for student loans; an influence for curriculum changes; detailed information on other student government plans; advantages of a film exchange; aid for student housing difficulties; backing for GI allowances increases.

Four hundred colleges, and about one and one-half million students presently comprise the founded only one and one-half million students presently comprise the NSA organization, which was founded only one year ago. Of the student membership 35 per cent are aCtholics.

PARTICIPATION URGED

The National Catholic Welfare Conference and the local diocesan authorities urge that all Catholic colleges participate in the NSA, principally to retain Christian principles within the organization and to offset whatever radical or communistic trends which may tend to arise.

On a national level the NSA is organized into twenty-five regional districts. Saint Mary's College would, if accepted, become members of the California-Nevada-Hawaii Region. The executive committee of the NSA is composed of two representatives from each region plus a staff committee consisting of a president, two vice presidents, secretary, treasurer and editor. This executive committee arranges for the annual Congress.

This congress consists of members of the executive committee and one delegate from each member college. Each college is allowed one vote in the proceedings of the Congress.

This Congress convenes at a midwestern college thereby equalizing transportation distances for delegates from all sections of the country. The Congress of 1947 was held at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

CONGRESSIONAL DUTIES

The duties of the Congress are to rule o nall activities of the NSA, approve or disapprove executive appointments, enact all laws and by-laws, and it has the right of impeachment.

An International Commission and a Domestic Commission presided over by the two vice presidents handle the respective international and domestic phases of the assoication. The activities of these commissions are subject to the approval of the student congress.

Regional assemblies are held once each semester. The organizational setup of each region is similar to the national organization plan, but on a smaller scale. Decisions of the Regional Assemblies are subject to National Assembly approval. Decisions of either National or Regional Assemblies are not binding on individual campuses if disapproved by campus student council. A decision considered

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Ballots will be cast by the Associated Students of Saint Mary's College all day Thursday, January 15, on whether or not to accept the United States National Students' Association, and th Amendments to the ASSMC Constitution.

Spring Has Sprung; Fall Has Fell; Winter's Here, and So Are Finals

1947 AUTUMN SEMESTER EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

All examinations will be given in the regular classrooms except where official notices giving other directions may be posted.

No changes are to be made on the listed examination schedule unless authorized.

All classes in session on Monday at 8:10 a.m.—January 21, Wednesday, 9:10-11:00 a.m.
All classes in session on Monday at 10:10 a.m.—January 21, Wednesday, 1:10-3:00 p.m
All classes in session on Tuesday at 10:10 a.m.—January 22, Thursday, 9:10-11:00 a.m.
All classes in session on Tuesday at 8:10 a.m.—January 22, Thursday, 1:10-3:00 p.m.
All classes in session on Monday at 11:00 a.m.—January 23, Friday, 9:10-11:00 a.m.
All classes in session on Tuesday at 11:10 a.m.—January 23, Friday, 1:10-3:00 p.m.
All classes in session on Tuesday at 1:10 p.m.—January 26, Monday, 9:10-11:00 a.m.
All classes in session on Tuesday at 9:10 a.m.—January 26, Monday, 1:10-3:00 p.m.
All classes in session on Monday at 9:10 a.m.—January 27, Tuesday, 9:10-11:00 a.m.
All classes in session on Monday at 2:10 p.m.—January 27, Tuesday, 1:10-3:00 p.m.
All classes in session on Monday at 1:10 p.m.—January 28, Wednesday, 9:10-11:00 a.m.
All classes in session on Tuesday at 2:10 p.m.—January 28, Wednesday, 1:10-3:00 p.m.

No official semester examinations are listed on this schedule for English Composition and Public Speaking courses.

PLEASE REPORT ANY CONFLICTS, ERRORS, OR OMISSIONS TO THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR AT ONCE.

Sophomore, Frosh Talent Swamp Fall Honor Roll; Plomarity Wins Laurels

Jointly sharing honors for academic supremacy on the campus, the Sophomore and Freshman classes distinguished themselves on the quarterly honor roll as announced by Brother Julian, registrar.

In all there were seventy-eight students whose scholastic averages enabled them to appear on the honor roll. Of this group, 31 were Sophomores; 29 Freshmen; ten Juniors, and 8 Seniors.

The student having the highest grade point average for this period was Harry Plomarity a Junior, with a perfect average of 3.0.

FIRST HONOR ROLL

Fourteen students appeared on the first honor roll with 2.5 grade point averages or better. They were: Seniors, Bertram Callen, and Charles Fee; Juniors, Carol J. Head; Sophomores, Daniel Arzac, James Emmons, Norman Hayes, Owen Hope, Richard Jenevein, Donald Rauber, and Martin Wurth; Freshmen, Robert Dean, Wilbur Grundy, Lonnie Hall, and Harry Plomarity.

SECOND HONOR ROLL

A total of 64 students garnered averages of 2.0 to 2.49 to place on the second honor roll.

Seniors, Harold Benassini, Brother W. Gabriel, John Maffeo, George Saunders, Michael Tobin and Byron Winn.

Juniors, Richard Desmond, Alfred Hackbarth, Charles Higgins, William Leiper, Joseph Ruckstuhl, Mario Sanguinetti, Thomas Scully, Ross Turano, and Richard Ward.

Sophomores, Grady Pell, Roland Cannavo, Joseph Casalmuovo, Joseph Cotruvo, Brother Eric, Richard Foucht, Jack Gianelli, James Haire, James Jensen, Clarence Kane, Raymond Langford, Jerome Lynch.

Ronald McArthur, Louis Nigro, Richard Petersen, Larry Powell, Augustine Razo, William Schaefer, Brother Simon, George Slevin, John Sutthoff, John Tagg, Thomas Vetresky, and Joseph Zanetti.

FROSH STAR

Freshmen, Maurice Alberti, Norman Benjamin, Frank Caiati, Patrick Curran, Andrew D'Anneo, John Doyle, Richard Escajeda, Gregory Faherty, Brother Frederick, Brother Gregory, Richard Hickey, Daniel Hurt, William Jordan, Martin Kelly.

Robert Koll, Anthony Lagorio, Charles Mahonev, Melvin Melick, Matthew Mitchell, Roy Ottoboni, Fred Seppi, Robert Sulit, Philip Sullivan, Jack Tormey, and Jesse Villarreal.

Brother Julian commends all those whose names appeared on either the first or second honor roll. He also expressed his firm hope that they will be able to maintain their high scholastic averages, and that, in the future, more students will join the ranks.

NSA Preamble, By-Laws; ASSMC Constitution Amendments

The Preamble to the Constitution of the United States National Student Association:

We, the students of the United States of America, desiring to maintain academic freedom and student rights, to stimulate and improve democratic student governments, to develop better educational standards, facilities, and teaching methods, to improve student cultural, social, and physical welfare, to promote international understanding and fellowship, to guarantee to all people, because of their inherent dignity as individuals, equal rights regardles sof sex, race, religion, political belief or economic circumstance, to foster the recognition of the rights and responsibilities of students to the school, the community, humanity, and God, and to preserve the interests and integrity of the government and constitution of the United States of America, do hereby esablish this Constitution of the United States National Student Association.

UNITED STATES NATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION . BY-LAWS

BY-LAW I. The USNSA will seek to secure and maintain equal rights for all people, and to secure equal opportunities for education at all levels regardless of race, national origin, sex, creed, and political belief or economic circumstances; especially by securing the eventual elimination of all forms of discriminatory educational systems anywhere in the United States since the United States National Student Association is opposed in principle to such systems.

BY-LAW II. The United States National Student Association encourages wide investigation and discussion of the problems of inequality which exist throughout the United States in order to secure their elimination. However, in view of the complex nature of the problem, with its diversity throughout the United States, and the limitations imposed by present state rights statutes, and laws, it shall be the policy of the USNSA to take action on the national, regional and campus levels through the corresponding organization of the USNSA to implement its stated principles, with regard to the legal limitation involved.

BY-LAW III. STUDENT BILL OF RIGHTS. In order to preserve and extend those conditions indispensible to the full achievement of educational objectives, and with full cognizance of the responsibilities and obligations which ensue from any assertion of fundamental rights, the National Student Association holds the following rights essential to the full development of the students as an individual and to the fulfillment of his responsibilities as a citizen.

1. The right of every student to a college education.
2. The right to conduct research freely, and to publish, discuss, exchange any findings or recommendations, whether individually or in association with local, national or international groups.
3. The right of students to a clear and concise statement, before entering college of their contractural rights, obligations and responsibilities pertaining to educational and extra-curricula activities.
4. The right of every student to exercise his full rights as a citizen in forming or participating in local, national or international organizations for intellectual, religious, social, political, economic or cultural purposes, and to publish and distribute their views.
5. The right of recognized student organizations to use the institution's name, subject to its regulations with respect to off-campus activities.
6. The right of students and recognized student organizations to use campus facilities, provided the facilities are used for the purpose contracted, subject only to such regulations as are required for scheduling meeting times and places.
7. The right to invite and hear speakers of their choice on subjects of their choice.
8. The right of students to engage freely in off-campus activities, provided they do not claim to represent the institution, exercising their rights as citizens of community, state and nation.
9. The right to establish and issue regular publications free of any censorship or other pressure aimed at controlling the editorial policy, with the free selection and removal of editorial staffs, reserved solely to the organization sponsoring these publications.
10. The right to establish democratic student governments with adequate democratic safeguards against abuse of their powers.
11. The right to petition through proper channels for changes in curriculum or professors.
12. The right of equal opportunity to enjoy their rights without regard to race, color, sex, national origin, religious creed or political beliefs.

Application of the foregoing rights should be in accordance with the following criteria:

1. Recognition: University ond College administrations may properly require official recogiion of student organizations and faculty organizations as a condition for assigning them campus facilities and giving them any financial support which the College or University may make available.

(a). Where campus organizations or publications in effect enjoy a monopoly or certain university or college facilities or finances, the university or college administration may properly insist on adequate safeguards for democratic terms of membership and control, and for including in publications the expressions of points of view opposed to those of the editors, provided that all such safeguards are to be democratically student formulated and administered.

(b). In the case of all other organizations and publications recognition should be qualified only by the requirement that these organizations are genuinely connected with students or faculty at that university or college and do not demonstrably interfere with the stated purposes and program of the institution itself. Recognition should not be used as a lever: 1. To control the purposes or programs of the organizations and publications; 2. To force them to merge with other organizations of publications on the campus against the wishes of their membership; or, 3. To dictate their form of organization or procedure.

2. Limitations Imposed by Recognition: Recognition may properly limit the manner in which organizations or publications may use the name of the college or university, off campus, such as requiring them to indicate clearly that they do not represent the views of the institution. Recognition may also properly limit the manner in which organizations may employ university facilities of finances in taking action—as sharply distinguished from expressing opinion—directly affecting matters off campus. But no disciplinary action may be properly taken against the students, faculty members, or their organization or publications for activities off campus not purporting to represent or involve the institution, or for expressing opinions on campus concerning matters off campus.

3. Faculty Advisors: In institutions having faculty advisors for student organizations, such advisors should be chosen or approved by the student organization themselves. Student groups should not be forbidden to function because no faculty member will consent to serve as their advisor.

4. Written Policies: All policies and procedures involving or affecting the rights of academic freedom, and the condition of recognition of student and of faculty organizations and publications, should be clearly stated in writing after consultation with the groups affected. They should be formally accepted by the entire campus community. These policies and procedures should in no case be subject to change without notice under the pressure of a particular situation, and the group affected should at all times participate in their application.

5. The above rights shall not be construed as interfering with the right of the private institution to set up specifically defined standards in line with the avowed purpose of its establishment provided that the student is fully acquainted with such standards in applying for admission.

In case of violation of the bill of rights or academic freedom, a preliminary Staff Committee Investigation can be initiated at the request of the college administration, student government or a student petition.

At the discretion of the Staff Committee a full investigation may be conducted with the report to be submitted to the NEC and the institution concerned. Further action may be taken by the NEC with regard to the publication of the report if deemed necessary by that body.

ACADEMIC FREEDOM

The NSA is in accord with the principles of academic freedom as expressed by the American Association of University Professors, in Vol. 32, AAUP Bulletin. Concerning academic freedom we believe that:

1. The teacher is entitled to freedom of research and in the publication of results subject to the academic performance of his other academic duties; but research for pecuniary return should be based upon an understanding with the institution.

2. The teacher is entitled to freedom in the classroom in discussion of his subject, but he should not introduce into his teaching controversial matter which has no relation to his subject.

3. The teacher has the right to join organizations whether religious, political, or social, provided that those organizations are not illegal under civil statutes, without being discriminated against through economic, social, or political pressures because of such activity.

4. When the teacher speaks or writes as a citizen outside the campus, he should be free from institutional censorship or discipline.

5. The basis for employment of faculty shall be only their ability to fulfill the requirements of the position.

Limitation of academic freedom because of the avowed purposes of the institution should be clearly stated in writing at the time of the appointment. Since the teacher is a man of learning and an educational officer his profession and institution may be judged by his utterances, He should at all times be accurate, exercise appropriate restraint, and should make every effort to indicate that he is not an institutional spokesman.

AMENDMENTS TO ASSMC CONSTITUTION

A. Amendment to Article XXI, Section 6.

1. Every student body organization is required to send a repreeneative to the meetings of the Executive Council. Upon failure to send its official representative or a substitute, the organization will incur a fine of one dollar. No organization which fails to pay its fine is entitled to financial aid from the ASSMC.

2. An organization failing to send its representative or substitute representative to the Executive Council three times in one academic year will forfeit its recognition by the ASSMC, and will accordingly be dissolved by the Executive Council.

3. a) An organization that is dissolved has no right to function on the campus, cannot list activities with the Social Committee, cannot receive loans from the ASSMC, cannot hold meetings on the campus, and cannot in any way bind any member of the ASSMC.

b) This power of the ASSMC to dissolve delinquent organizations through its representative government is contingent upon the right of the Association to give an organization official status by recognizing it.

4. Any organization dissolved by action of the Executive Council cannot appeal for permission to reorganize and be recognized until the following academic year.

B. Amendment to Article IV, Section 3.

The Secretary will, at each meeting of the Executive Council, call a roll of those who constitute the Executive Council as defined in Article IV Section 5, and will keep a record of members present and absent. He will also inform the Executive Council of the absence of such members, making their absence an integral part of the minutes of the Council's meeting.

C. Amendment to Article IV, Section 2.

The Vice-President will appoint a Parliamentarian of the Executive Council, whose duty it wil lbe to inform the presiding officers of violations of the Constitution and of the acepted parliamentary procedure, and to advise the presiding officer on questions of precedence and rules of order. Such appointment subject to approval of the Executive Council by majority vote.

D. Amendment to Article IV, Section 1.

The President is empowered to appoint such student body officers whose appointment or election is not otherwise provided for in this Constitution, such appointment being subject to the approval of the Executive Council by a majority of 2/3 of the quorum present at the Executive Council meeting at which the appointment is announced.

1948 Polio Drive January 14-31

CHILD VICTIMS—Children were the chief victims of polio during the past 12 months in Contra Costa County although several adult cases were hospitalized. Most of them are now on the slow road back to recovery. All are being aided by Contra Costa Chapter, March of Dimes, in their fight to regain the use of crippled limbs. One big factor is the two Treatment Centers established by the March of Dimes at Walnut Creek and Richmond. Pictured at left is Bobby Lyles and Susan Young (right). Both were stricken by polio during the Contra Costa epidemic of 1943. Slowly, they are recovering the use of afflicted limbs through the March of Dimes. Bobby, age 6, resides with her parents at 823 South 33rd street, Richmond. Susan, age 5, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Young, 4320 Nevin street, Richmond. In the right photo is little Ethel Mae Herring, age 3, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Herring, 5113 Jefferson street, Richmond. The little child was stricken by infantile paralysis last October. Mrs. Mary Doyle, chief physio-therapist of Contra Costa Chapter, March of Dimes, is showing Ethel Mae how to walk again with the aid of braces and diminutive crutches.

LETTERS TO THE . . . SQUAWK-BOX

NOTICE

Letters to the Squawk-Box should be limited to 175 words. All letters must be signed and the address given. Names will be withheld from publication if requested. Letters will be published only after being checked for authenticity of signature.

BAD SIDE OF NSA

There has been a great deal of talk circulating the campus on the subject of St. Mary's College becoming a member of the National Students Association. The students of this college will have an opportunity in a forthcoming special election of resolving the dilemma—not to join and be excluded from organized intercampus activities in the United States or to join and be envolved in what I like to call a collegiate created monster.

Presented in this letter are a few brief views of the bad side of the picture to help offset what appears to be the railroading of this issue into effect.

I do not believe that the NSA is a good thing for American colleges because:

1—The danger of evil elements, such as the Communists, taking control of such a group is all too simple. A check will show that the NSA is associated with the International Union of Students, a Communist dominated international organization.

2—Their is a tendency in a group such as the NSA to attempt to control, directly or indirectly, actions of colleges and universities that do not come under the realm of any student organization.

3—The chance for a small college to compete with such powerful institutions as the University of California, Harvard and Columbia is slight. The power politics practiced by these larger schools is difficult to match.

4—Many of the propositions and plans of the NSA cannot be applied to private institutions where student body government is not independent of administration.

These four points are only a few of the apparent faults of the NSA. Anyone of the "pushers" of the project could probably refute them—let them, then, be refuted at the next student body meeting. Most of the schools in the Bay Area have already become members of the NSA. We are now faced with this same move. If St. Mary's must join, let her join with her eyes wide open and with reservations. Although I see a great deal of potential and actual evil in this organization, I can also see promises of good. Let St. Mary's be the watch-dog of the group.—Walt DeFaria, '49.

NSA History and Growth

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channels for changes in the curriculum or in the teaching staff, and to exercise individual rights as citizens.

"Perhaps most important are the rights to a free democratic student government and of a student press free of faculty control," McKeever added. These rights have been included in the by-laws. The NSA has also taken a stand against racial and religious intolerance.

As for academic freedom, the committee has pointed out that the student organization's stand is that of the American association of university teachers.

EPISCOPAL APPROVAL

Diocesan educational authorities have indicated their approval of Catholic participation in the association. They have hastened to point out the necessity of competent guidance, however, and nisist that Catholic students who join must act in the light of Christian principles. They have stated that the ultimate decision of campus authorities must be respected, which is a sequel to Catholic teaching on obedience and authority.

This local approval has followed the favorable recommendation of Boston's Archbishop Richard Cushing. As chairman of the Episcopal Committee on Education of the National aCtholic Welfare Conference, he has recommended that Catholic schools take part in NSA.

DANGER AVERTED

By eliminating organizational membership and allowing only student bodies to join, Communist influence has been affectively squelched, since groups like the AYD cannot participate. The only danger from this quarter is that of information disseminated among members by the few school representatives who happen to be fellow travlers.

On Membership

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anti-religious, for example, might be disapproved by college student councils.

The membership for enrollment of Saint Mary's College in the NSA would cost the yearly $50.00 membership fee and the expenses incurred sending one delegate to the annual Congress.

MAJORITY VOTE

Necessity for membership includes majority "yes" vote by the student body and the ratification of the NSA constitution by the Executive Council.

Members of the organization are informed of NSA activities by a Monthly Regional Bulletin, presently edited by the University of California NSA office, Berkeley.

If at any time dissatisfied with the NSA, membership may be cancelled.

Brothers Busy Over Christmas

Convention Held During Vacation

While the Christmas vacation brought a change in the routine of college life, it did not mean complete relaxation to the Student Brothers. Preparation for an examination in Religion given by the Institute of the Christian Brothers on December 30, and practice for singing the Christmas High Mass and for other musical performances providede a full program for the first two weeks of the long holiday.

The construction of backboards for an outside basketball court by Brother Simon, the decorating of the Brothers' living quarters for the holiday atmosphere, including the artistic fashioning of the Nativity scene in the chapel by Brothers Eric and Raphael, work in the gardens surrounding the Scholasticate, and the publishing of a quarterly mimeographed magazine by Brother Gabriel and Gregory consumed whatever time the Brothers found between study singing.

RELAXATION

Relaxation did come, however, with a trip to Mont La Salle on December 14 to witness the reception of the holy habit by nine postulants, all graduates of the Brothers' schools in California; celebration of the Student Brothers' feast day, the Octave of the Immaculate Conception, December 15, as well as appropriate religious, social, and recreational observance of Christmas and New Years; being hosts to the Junior Novices from Mont La Salle on December 27 and to the Novices on January 3, which included a basketball victory over the former and a defeat to the latter; and a visit to the Stage Door Theatre, San Francisco, to see the movie version of Charles Dickens' "Nicholas Nickelby".

The professional training of the Brothers was enhanced by attending the convention of Christian Brothers of California, held on the campus, December 29. Talks and discussions on school libraries, public speaking courses, and accreditation of high schools highlighted the meeting, which was concluded with a cultural program in the evening. The Student Brothers' glee club, under direction of Brother Gabriel, contributed a medley of Christmas carols.

RETURN TO CLASSES

Like the many students who worked during the holidays, the Student Brothers greeted the return to classes with a backlog of assignments that optimistic professors expected to be easily completed over the "vacation". They might well pause and take inventory.

While 1947 was to some extent disappointing athletically speaking, it was a great source of satisfaction in terms of enrollment and sound organization at the college, and increased interest in things scholastic by members of the club.

With the first meeting of the new year to be held January 19th we are going to try to give the members a wider variety of entertainment at the meetings. In order to do this we will have to be assured of continued good attendance and willingness of the members to work on the various committees.

Your attendance at this first meeting will be your assurance to us of your desire for the continuance of our program of speakers and entertainment.

Sincerely wishing the officers and members of the club, the faculty, students and alumni of the college, a very Hanny New Year.

STANLEY R. LEAVELL,
President St. Mary's Club.

Saint Mary's Club Notes

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Saint Mary's Club will be held on Monday January 19, 1948, at the Master Plumbers Hall, 11 Page Street, San Francisco, at 8:30 p. m. Lets make this a meeting by attending in large numbers.

MEMBERSHIP

Anyone joining the Saint Mary's Club after January 1, 1948, will be enrolled up to June 30, 1949, the fee being $3.00. Please send in any names who would like to become active members. Send same to the Saint Mary's Club, P. O. Box No. 327 San Francisco, 1, Calif.

LIBRARY FUND

At this time we wish to thank the Hon. Judge Twain Michelsen for starting the ball arolling, by his donation to the Library Fund. In the next issue of the Collegian our members will hear more about this Fund. Jerry Nunan is chairman of this drive for funds to the College Library. Assisting Jerry is George Drew, Frank Koch, Jr., John Enright and many others. Let us all get behind this drive. Information will be mailed shortly.

HERE AND THERE

You will find Henry J. Maritzen at the California State Automobile Association, Van Ness Avenue and Hayes streets, San Francisco.

Member Pat H. C. Maginn is with the Calavares Cement Co., also you will find James R. Casey with the same company. Jim has been transferred back to San Andres, Calaveras County. Jim let us see you at the January Meeting.

Pat Ruane is a contractor plasterer at 44 San Jose Avenue.

Malachy Ruane will found at the Pat Ruane Co. at 44 San Jose Avenue.

A MESSAGE

A message from the president of Saint Mary's Club:

With 1947 behind a bright and shining New Year ahead, we

ACOLYTES LIST

The men whose names appear below are requested to be in the Sacristy and vested for services at least five minutes before Mass is to begin.

SUNDAY MASS JAN. 11
7:00—J. C. Haire and N. Harmon.
9:00—J. Shea and B. Brennan.

DAILY MASS JAN. 12 THROUGH JAN. 17
7:00—J. Smith and F. Mead.

BENEDICTION AFTER 9:00 MASS SUNDAY
R. Hickey and L. Kane.

All men who have served on the Altar during the present semester are asked to watch the bulletin boards for a special notice regarding the time and place for the taking of the Sanctuary Society Pictures. It is important that all men keep this appointment, because the pictures will be taken only once.

Third of Gael Already Printed

Lack of Snap Shots Holds Publication

With one-third of the Gael already in the hands of the printers, Walt DeFaria, Gael editor, announced recently that photos of various Saint Mary's clubs will be taken Tuesday through Friday inclusively of next week.

Six club pictures will be taken a day—4 being taken at noon and 2 at 3 p.m. DeFaria urged that members of the clubs be present at the scheduled time, as there will be no retakes.

NEED SNAP SHOTS

The Gael reported a lack of individual snapshots taken around the campus. Any student may submit shoe of themselves or friends, but they must be of at least a 4 by 5 inch size. Any contributions should be submitted to members of the yearbook staff, and if accepted and used, they will become the property of the Gael.

Advertisements for the Gael are still being accepted by Val McKeever, Gael Business Manager. Reservations must be made before January 21, and may be secured by any student or friend of Saint Mary's College by a down payment of $2.00. The total price, erroneously listed as $6.00 in a former Collegian article, has been established at $6.50.

NONE SINCE '42

A traditional Saint Mary's publication, the Gael dates back to the times of the Brickpile in Oakland, though there were no publications recently since the 1942 publication.

The coming Gael will include a prologue by two former Collegian editors, Stan Galliam of '45 and Jerry Murphy of '47, covering the years of 1942 through 1947, during which time there was no publication of the Gael.

The yearbook is scheduled to appear the first of May.

Alumni Notes

SAN FRANCISCO UNIT — Under the sponsorship of the General Alumni Association, the San Francisco unit was revived Wednesday evening, December 10.

Newly elected officers were William F. Meade, '35, president; George Canrinus, '34, secretary; Peter J. Markovich, '33, treasurer.

The unit will meet monthly at the James F. Waters auto company, Van Ness and Bush streets, San Francisco. The next meeting will be held Thursday evening, January 22, commencing at 8 o'clock.

Through the courtesy of Robert F. Waters, ('37), a free meeting room in the Waters building has been provided the San Francisco unit. Bob is vice-president and general manager of the auto concern, and is a member of the board of directors of the Alumni Association.

The San Francisco unit, active in pre-war years, became defunct shortly after December 7, 1941. Its restoration is an encouraging sign of alumni activity in the Bay Area.

EASTBAY UNIT: Alameda and Contra Costa County will be called to a general meeting in Oakland during January for the purpose of re-establishing the Eastbay unit, also a war casualty.

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All Contra Costa and Alameda county alumni will be notified by mail of the impending affair.

ROUND TABLE SERIES: The attention of Alumni in the San Francisco Bay Area is once more directed to the round table discussion series now under way in San Francisco and Oakland.

Guided by members of the college faculty, the discussion groups are concerned with readings of great political and social texts which have influenced western thought and culture.

Although the series is now in progress, alumni are still entitled to join.

Both groups meet on the second Friday of each month; the San Francisco unit at 7:45 p.m. in the Commissioners' Office, Main Library Building, Civic Center, the Oakland unit at 8 p.m. in the Librarian's office, Main Library Building, 634 Fourteenth street.

The January sessions will be held this Friday evening, January 9. San Francisco topic: Treatise on Law, St. Thomas Aquinas, Summa Theologica. Oakland topic: Politics of Aristotle, Books 1 and 3.

Ex-Council News

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made four specific recommendations:

1. Reorganize or liquidate the defunct school orchestra. Equipment valued at $39 is involved.
2. Further investigate the Brickpile after a full report by Fourth Estate officials.
3. Make head yell leader account for all equipment purchased for cheer leaders.
4. Provide an expense account for the ASSMC president.

WOMEN ROOTERS

Desmond's doubts of the ability of female voices to bolster team spirit failed to deter passage of Lazio's motion to permit girls in basketball rooting sections.

The Rally Committee was responsibility of maintaining any section so provided.

SOCIAL CHAIRMAN

Appointment of Buckingham as new social chairman, succeeding Desmond, was announced by Lazio.

Ed Arnold backed a last-minute motion which added the Council attendance rules to next week's special election.

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GAEL GOSSIP

By PETE PETERSEN

Collegian Sports Editor

Head coach James Phelan is attending the National Coaches Association meeting in New York at the present time. The session runs January 7, 8 and 9th, and all coaches of American football, high school, college and professional, are allowed membership and meeting privileges.

At the present time Tad Weiman, head coach at the University of Maine is president, James Phelan is first vice-president, and D. O. McLaughrey of Dartmouth is secretary.

At the conclusion of this meeting, Wieman, who holds his office for one year according to the by-laws, moves in as an elder statesman, so to speak, of the Association.

Elections will be held during the meeting to fill the three offices, and it is probable that our own Jim Phelan will sit in as President of the N.C.A. for 1948.

When the meeting closes this evening in New York, Phelan moves on to Georgia for a confab with other members of the Association's Rules Committee. More about that at a later date.

Along with these duties, Phelan serves in the third year of his five-year contract here at Saint Mary's, which he originally signed on January 1, 1946.

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In the spring a young man's fancy turns to love, but Autumn has better advantages. As an example, consider Johnny Lujack. He's a hero to millions of American people; he made every All-American; and he walked off with football's most cherished trophy, the Heisman Memorial. At present, it is reported that the two Chicago pro outfits are bidding upwards of $100,000 for his services in 1948. Which should prove the advantages of Autumn, when a young man is fancy. . .

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I'm glad . . .

To see that Billy Burke, captain of last year's Gael basketball squad, is continuing his basketball abilities and with the Oakland Bittners. His latest effort accounted for 10 points in the recent game between the Phoenix Constructors and the Bittners, which, darn it!, the Phoenix copped 53-47.

That Herman Wedemeyer's All-Stars won their first game in the islands against Leilauhua 28-20. One more game is scheduled in the islands for this weekend. Herm' will be back on the campus party of next week.

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In an Oakland sheet, I noted that the Santa Clara Broncos meet Nevada in 1948 in Sacramento. Seems like a wise move to me, thereby setting up friendly fans for the Broncos in the Capital City, besides bringing good football to the metropolis.

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In the recent Saint Mary's vs. San Francisco State basketball game at Kezar Pavilion, I noticed these few laughnecdotes.

Frank "Apples" Kudelka, while scoring 36 points, broke into the biggest smile on a dribble, bounce pass play to Rial who easily scored a two-pointer.

Jack Rial, who seldom smiles while he works, had a held ball with a State player. Jack tugged up, and the Stater pulled down. At the whistle, Jack released his hold, and the State man went kerplunk to the floor from the force of his own pull.

Jack Buick, dribbling down court, was fronted by a defense man. He heard a call behind him, and neatly backhanded a pass to a charging Kudelka. Buick was then taken from the game, only to hear Neff say, "Nice pass, now go back in for Bullwinkel."

Besides being a world play ground, having large manufacturing and commercial interests New Jersey's agricultural and fruit interests are large and valuable.

Frosh Courtmen Face Menlo Here

Coach George DeKlotz sends the Saint Mary's Frosh quintet against Menlo Junior College here at the campus gym next Monday night at 8 o'clock.

DeKlotz took over the coaching duties of the Frosh just prior to the holiday season. Dan Galvin, who had done the coaching, was released from a professional status by the A. A. U., and wasted no time in joining the basketball ranks of the varsity.

Since one-third of the basketeers are from distant points, DeKoltz has had only this week to run the full Frosh complement in strenuous practices.

The fledgling Gaels had five games in six days during the Christmas season. This "Holiday" squad, composed of local boys, fared well in the tough competition of S. F. J. C., California Blues, Marin J. C., and the like. In their most recent outing, they dumped S. F. State Frosh, 60-35.

Practice will continue for the Frosh through Friday with chalk talk due on Monday afternoon "Emphasis" said DeKlotz, "will be on defense. The boys do well on offense, but they are not too skilled on the man-for-man defense."

Expected to start for the Frosh are Flayhaven and Cimino at forwards, Endriss and Bill at guards and Don Thramm at center.

Ducats on Sale Today

Student tickets for the weekend basketball games at the Cow Palace in San Francisco went on sale Wednesday, January 7, at the campus ticket office announced Ticket Manager Don Butler.

Friday night Saint Mary's plays Loyola of Los Angeles in the nightcap at 9:30 with USF and Santa Clara leading off in the first game.

The following night, January 10, Saint Mary's meets Santa Clara in the initial contest at 8:00 followed by USF-Loyola tilt at 9:30.

Admission for the games will be 50 cents for college students, high school tickets 75 cents and general admission $1.50. College students must purchase tickets on the campus.

On Thursday January 5, Saint Mary's meets the Borlo Athletic Club at Kezar Pavilion in San Francisco in the second game of a double-header, USF and the Olympic Club quintet will play the earlier game.

Students with cards will be admitted free to the games at Kezar.

"LITTLE PRINCE"—Coaching collegiate basketball for the first time, Benny Neff at Saint Mary's has produced a fine first quintet. Neff specializes on ball control and a set system of plays. All this caused publicity man Bill Bettencourt to intone, that the "Little Prince" is fielding the "Neff-tiest" basketball team that Saint Mary's has ever had.

Ben Neff Takes Over Hoop Reins

Fourteenth Basketball Coach for Galloping Gaels

By DICK CARDOZA

When the 13th in Saint Mary's long list of basketball coaches resigned last year, sideline observers predicted a number of successors, including Hank Luisetti, Stanford's famous All-American.

When Benny Neff, head of the physical education department at Lowell High school in San Francisco was selected as the Gael mentor, these same diehards arched their eyebrows and waited for the coming basketball season. . . .

When the gun sounded ending the Gaels' season opener with the Oakland Bittners, these people were saying that this Saint Mary's basketball team was the best-coached of all time. . . .

NEFF PROVES SELF

All of which is to say that 46 year-old Benny Neff has proved himself before Gael fans.

Neff was born in nearby Concord, where he still has his home. After high school at Mt. Diablo, he attended the University of California and graduated in 1923.

After one year at Ukiah, he went to Lowell in 1925 and in 1927 became head basketball coach, succeeding another former Saint Mary's cage coach, the late Harlan H. Dykes.

11 CITY CHAMPS

In his 20 years as head basketball mentor at Lowell Hi, Benny has coached his varsity teams to 11 championships.

At Lowell, he developed many later college stars among whom were Richie Hay (California), Eddie Conroy and Bob Peerick (Santa Clara), Eddie Cerf and Frank Kudelka (Saint Mary's), Pete Delow (Southern California), and three members of the 1942 Stanford national champions—Don Burness, Bill Cowden and Howie Dallmar.

Neff's system of basketball calls for a large collection of plays. Some of these plays are made up on the spur of the moment, even during actual games. A pocketful of pennies are always a necessary item with Benny for he uses them to map plays on the hardwood floor for his players.

"You win the games with your offense," he is fond of saying, "and when you lose the ball, it's a bucket for the opposition."

Diamond Sport Opens With Spring Semester

Baseball, holding a more colorful history at Saint Mary's than football, will commence at the college the Friday of the first week of the Spring semester.

Johnny Vergez will coach the Phoenix for his second year, and he anticipates a turnout equal to last season's record breaking signup of 97 ballplayers.

Those 97 fellows comprised the Frosh squad also, and by way of surprise Bill Kenworthy, ex-Oakland Oaks coach under Vergez, has been approached to handle coaching duties for this year's Frosh nine. At this moment Kenworthy had not officially accepted the offer.

SCHEDULE

Saint Mary's is a bonafide member of the California Intercollegiate Baseball Association, and the schedule for league games has been completed. The Phoenix have yet to contract games with several independents, plus games with several of the New York Yankee farm clubs in this area, and one definite contest with the Oakland Oaks in Oakland.

Lost to this year's nine are Pitchers Bryan McGoldrick and Bob Blengino, Catcher Bob Day and Centerfielder Herman Wedemeyer. Outstanding returning lettermen are Pitcher Jack Rial, Outfielder "Babe" Van Huiet, and Infielders Dwayne Kling, "Lil" Arnerich and Jack Buick.

Danny Galvin will positively play for the diamond nine, while Basketballer Frank Kudelka may turn out for an outfield position.

APOLOGY!

In the last edition of the Saint Mary's Collegian, an article in the sports page ended with the announcement of the All-Intramural football team for both the Red and the Blue league. By an oversight, the names failed to appear under that heading.

The Collegian extends its apology for this error. The names will appear next week.

St. Mary's Court Quintet Meets Loyola, Santa Clara

Boxers Debut

Moragan's Gun for Air Sailors

Student Manager Glenn Bell will lead his Saint Mary's boxing squad into their first match of the season next Tuesday night, January 13th, against Alameda Naval Air Station at the sailors' Main Gym.

Much interest is centered in the ring debut, since it is the first boxing team to represent the Red and Blue in many years. The battlers will enter the ring nattily attired in Cardinal Red shirts and Blue trunks.

TEAM STRONG

The members of the team and their weight classes are as follows:

J. Villareal (125); Henry Razon (130); Sanchez (135); Jim Hannon and Villa (145); Dick Quirante and Sexton (155); Johnny Johnson (165); Herb Schultz (175); Tony Kotowski and Sullivan, unlimited.

"We are well represented in all weight classes," said Manager Bell. "It is hard to judge anybody's ability just on the basis of his performance on the bag or against a sparring partner. This first match should tell the story of their real ability. However, I would single out Dick Quirante, Henry Razon and Johnny Johnson as our outstanding members at present."

VARIED PROGRAM

The Alameda set-to will consist of two preliminaries, which will not count in the final score. Then the fights will start at the lightest weight and continue through to the unlimiteds. All fights are set for three rounds.

Admission and seating are free to all who care to attend.

Gaels Endorse New Stadium

Mayor-elect Elmer G. Robinson of San Francisco received strong endorsment for his proposed new footballl stadium from St. Mary's College yesterday when publicity director, Bill Bettencourt, said the Gaels were vitally interested in any plan that would furnish the Bay Area independent schools a grid home.

'St. Mary's" said Bettencourt, "feels that there is a crying need for a second football stadium in San Francisco. If such a stadium is constructed, under any plan, I am confident that the Gaels would play all home games in such a park."

Bettencourt pointed out the difficulty of St. Mary's scheduling any major football opponents without knowing in advance just where any such games might take place.

"We don't want Saturday dates from Kezar and they can't seem to promise us, in advance, anything else. The only alternative we can see other than a new stadium would be the installation of lights in Kezar for Friday night games. If we can't get the Sunday dates we need we'd just as soon play on Friday nights under the lights.

Bettencourt said that since St. Mary's pioneered Sunday football in this area it should have a loud voice in the proposed construction of any new stadium.

"I think," he said "that I can safely speak for such prominent independents as Santa Clara, USF and San Jose State. We all want some definite place to park our helmets and this Robinson plan looks like it."

Intramural Sports

Due to lack of time to organize teams, the plan to hold an intrmural elimination basketball tournament before the end of the semester has been cancelled, and only the round-robin play will be held, starting the second semester, it was revealed today by George DeKlotz, Intrmural Athletic Director.

However, teams should now start to organize so that they will be ready to begin as soon as possible in the second semester.

Those wishing to organize a team or to be on a team should contact Lou Desmond, Intramural Manager, in room 316 of the center dorm.

Teams may practice in the gym up to 3 p. m. and from 4:30 to 6:00 each day. The period from 3:00 to 4:30 is reserved for the Freshman squad.

Basketball Statistics

Team record to date:

S.M.		OPP.
53	Oakland Bittners	59
48	Pepperdine College	43
30	University of S. Calif.	63
57	Olympic Club	33
55	Fresno State	33
65	S. F. State	49

Individual scoring race:

	F.g.	F.t.	P.f.	T.p.
Kudelka	52	19	14	123
Rial	26	9	6	61
Bullwinkel	17	9	20	43
Babcock	11	4	12	26
Galvin	9	4	12	22
Dalton	6	0	3	12
Gailbreath	5	1	8	11
Buick	1	0	0	2
Christenson	1	0	0	2
Gardner	1	0	1	2
Kirkpatrick	1	0	0	2
Toohey	1	0	0	2
Hagler	0	0	2	0
Totals	131	46	76	308

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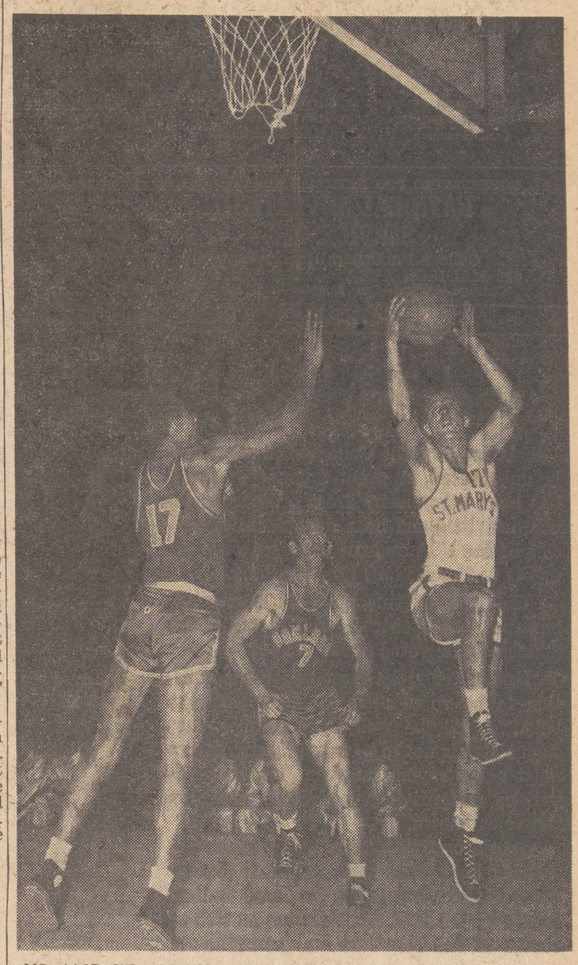
Doubleheaders at Cow Palace This Weekend



UP AND IN—Holding the ball high, Frank "Apples" Kudelka No. 17, ace forward for the Saint Mary's quintet, leaps aside the guarding of Don Barksdale of the Oakland Bittners for an easy two points. While the Bittners eked a 59-53 win. All-America candidate Kudelka scored 26 points to gain the highest individual scoring mark made on the Cow Palace court.

By AL SOULAGES

This week-end at San Francisco's Cow Palace where they made their sensational debut against the Oakland Bittners, the Saint Mary's cagers will seek to extend their present winning streak to five games at the expense of Loyola University and the Santa Clara Broncos.

The game Friday night against Loyola will start at 8 p.m., the first game of a scheduled double-header. U.S.F. meets Santa Clara in the second contest. Loyola, which has been scouted in two of its games in the southland has a hustling ball club, but has not shown much this year. The Gaels are favored over the Lions.

BRONCS ARE GOOD

Saturday night is a different story, "Bennys' Bucket brigade," as the Gael quintet has been nicknamed, will have to be "red hot" to knock over the Santa Clara Broncos. Coached by Ray Pasco, Santa Clara was the leading independent team on the coast last year with 21 wins and 4 losses including two wins over Saint Mary's.

This year they were rated as one of the top teams on the coast in the pre-season dope and they have upheld this rating by a successful Eastern tour in which they played .500 ball with the best in the country. The Broncs stopped the Temple Owls, the best in the Southwest, and broke Georgetown's eight game win streak.

Also, before going on tour, they dumped the powerful U.C.L.A. Bruins, last year's PCC Southern Division champs. Sparked by big Frank Laney at center and Bob McKillop at forward the Broncos will be very hard to stop.

ONE DEFEAT

After losing to U.S.C. in Los Angeles, the Gaels came up to San Jose on December 15 and rolled over the Olympic Club 57 to 33. The New Year was celebrated with a decisive win over Fresno State January 2, and the next night, All-American candidate Frank Kudelka poured 36 points through the bucket as the Gaels beat San Francisco State at Kezar Pavillion.

Led by the sensational Kudelka the Gael squad has been rounding into top shape. Center Jack Rial, although only six feet, two inches, has effectively controlled opposing giant centers, besides getting his share of tip ins and layups. Dick Babcock at one of the guard spots has been very good on defense, blocking passes, and he is consistent in hitting long shots. Augie Bullwinkel the other guard, has been a terrific rebounder and a ball hawk on both backboards.

GAILBREATH READY

Dick Gailbreath, Kudelka's running mate, was out the early part of the season with a sprained ankle, but he is now working smoothly setting up plays and netting set shots. Frank Kudelka leads the team in scoring and also holds the individual scoring in one game at the Cow Palace with 26 points scored against the Bittners.

In the other half of the double headers USF meets Santa Clara Friday night at 9:30, and Loyola Saturday night at 8.

Following are the lineups for Friday and Saturday nights

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LOYOLA	Pos.	ST. MARY'S	Pos.	SANTA CLARA
Bob Perich	f	Frank Kudelka	f	Bob McKillop
Bill Donovan	f	Dick Gailbreath	f	Dave Mariani
Ray Appel	c	Jack Rial	c	Frank Laney
Joe Witeck	g	Dick Babcock	g	Harvey Christensn
Joe Gioia	g	Augie Bullwinkel	g	Joe Greenbach

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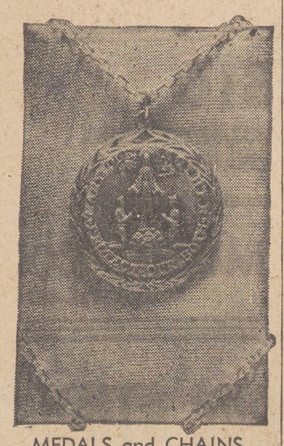
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Read Today; Decide Thursday

This issue of the Collegian is admittedly unbalanced. A great amount of space has been taken away from ordinary campus activities and been devoted to discussion of the NSA and the proposed admendments to the ASSMC Constitution.

The use of this space is warranted, however, by the extreme importance of the matters to be voted upon.

Undoubtedly the most important question to be voted upon is entry into the NSA. It will be well to remember that such a step is not to be taken lightly. There must be no crying later on that the obligations and privileges of NSA members were not known.

Ample opportunity is being given the student body this week to learn exactly what is and what is not proposed. Salient points of the NSA Constitution as well as copies of the constitutional amendments are to be found on page two. Further the mechanisms of the student organization and possible objections are handled both editorially and otherwise.

While the NSA is more glamorous it would be very unwise to minimize the importance of the admendments to our own constitution which are being submitted for approval. Remember that it is never wise to make constitutional changes unless there is a clear and unmistakable reason for such change. Therefore, it is the duty of the individual student to study and consider carefully these admendments.

If student government is to be at all successful it must work upon a foundation of intelligent and interested student opinion. The measures upon which you will vote next Tuesday are important, are worthy of serious study, will affect your welfare.

We are not asking you merely to vote. Get out and vote intelligently! Read the material before you vote!

Transports of Troubleshooters

Focal point of the week's crop of distance and tension is undoubtedly the eastern Mediterranean. Not only do we have intensified internecine strife in the Holy Land, but there are also significant signs of increased American military power i this area.

Most spectacular of course is the news that two transports loaded with amphibious trained Marines have sailed for Mediterranean waters. According to the Navy Department these Marines, many of them combat veterans, will be stationed for some time on ships in Italian and Greek waters, positions which, incidentally, are within easy distance of the blood fields of Palestine and the oil fields of Arabia.

Then there was the announcement by Dwight P. Griswold of the American Aid Mission in Greece that the United States will provide the money needed to increase the size of the Greek National Army. Such action was decided upon in view of the seriousness of the guerrilla revolt near Konitsa.

All of this points to what many observers have believed inevitable, the American filling of the traditional British role in the Mediterranean and perhaps the Middle East as well. The dispatch of American troops to this area just as the British are preparing to vacate Palestine is surely no accident.

The United States is beginning to see that being the world's number one power has its responsibilities.

Exam Schedule

Although this week's editorial cartoon might indicate that skulldugery and gangster techniques are the tactics used by the professor here on the campus, bouquets are in order for the fine way in which the examination schedules have been arranged this semester.

The present arrangements affords several advantages which tend to less the catastrophic effects of a week of finals.

The major benefit from this system is the satisfactory solution to the time element which now allots a six-day period for finals with a maximum of two tests a day. This eliminates the feverish cramming for several subjects on one days which usually finds the student more confused than enlightened.

Separating the quizes by a weekend provides an opportunity for relaxation or research before tackling the remaining three days.

We appreciate the efforts of Brother Lambert, Dean of Studies, whose motive sems to be toward removing the confusion of final week.

'48 Senior Ball

Of the many dances held during the school year, none takes as much precedence as the Senior Ball. This dance comes the last event of the semester; the climax of a series of social affairs.

The senior ball is a traditional dance, which has as its purpose, to bid farewell to the outgoing senior class.

To those students who have never attended a dance of this nature, it will suffice to simply remind them of their tentative graduation day. They will want a large crowd in attendance when the school pays them homage.

Much work has been put into the 1948 senior ball. Charles Rainey, senior class president, has determined to make this dance one to be long remembered. However he can not do this if the students do not support him.

Realizing the expense of such a dance, we can understand why may will be unable to attend. However remembering the tribute we are paying, which we ourselves will want someday, all effort should be utilized to give the '448 senior class a send off they will not soon forget.

Collegiana

Most New Year's resolutions are proposed and passed under the influence and prompting of the foggy and conscience-stricken mind of a "mourning after" celebrant.

However, this year with the grace of nine days and an overdose of bromo seltzer the average Gael can inaugurate a reconversion program for the new year with a level-headed approach.

Not content with just reconditioning his own personal life and habits, Joe Gael feels that others should share in his "new order" and so he makes the following resolutions:

That New Year's shall come but once a year, and then for only twenty-four hours.

That the Administration hustle out those checks earlier in the year, or set up soup kitchens and tents on the campus.

That he'll stay away from the Moraga Inn, unless he feels thirsty for a beer . . .

IMPEACHMENT

That a certain guy is impeached, if his name appears more than five times a week in either the **Collegian** or on the bulletin boards . . .

That a picnic at Dominican does not mean come in Levis, turtle neck sweaters, and clod hoppers . . .

That some one kick Joe Gael up and down Mount Diablo in May for not bouncing out a few bones for the Gael Yearbook . . .

That the library will be visited once a week, if only to look at the most recent copy of "Life" for free . . .

PEEK-A-BOO

That if the ex-Council has any money left in the till after Valentine's Day, they should use it for any investigation by "Peek-a-boo" Pennington to find out who didn't get a loan.

That if Italian is not offerred as a language in the catalogue this fall, the Dante Club should ban with the Eire Oge and form a colony in The Grove where they can chip their teeth at one another in their native tongues . . .

That if the chow situation does not noticably improve soon, to sell his place in the line to either Red Heart or Lassie . . .

That the kibitzers at the pinochle games be limited to two kibitzes a hand . . .

That Brother Josephus in the post office will at least look in the pigeon hole to see whether or not there is any mail . . .

That eviction notices be served to those guys characters afflicted with telephonitis who are in the booth more than three hours. . . .

That fundamentals become a part of every football coach's training program. . . .

SIGN-UP

That a sign be erected in Orinda to tell the general public just where in the hills Saint Mary's is. . . .

That "Heaven can wait in '48"; drive carefully. . . .

That wire screens be hung over the windows to momentarily halt the armies of insects which swarm to light, even at the twinkling of any eye. . . .

That sponge rubber mats be placed before all of the wash basins to absorb the overflow when those sack hounds get up and "splash and dash" to class.

ON JALOPIES

That the rear ends fall out of those jalopies which come into the parking lot in the wee hours of the night, double clutch four or five times, and end with a window rattling moan . . .

That electric razors be put on a separate circuit from radios. . . .

That the juke box will read "tilt" whenever someone puts in a nickel for "Riff and Harmonica Jump." . . .

That "Leap Year" will mean more than just an extra day in February. . . .

That the $2,048 nest egg from the "Two Dollar Club" will be put in the bank. . . .

That Collegiana get back, soon, to like it use to was.

Moraga Musings

PISTON POPPIN PROF—The campus transportation system met with a series of disasters over the holidays all perpetrated by one driver, Brother Dominic. First off, the mathematician mistook reverse for high gear and wound up shipping his teeth, not to mention those of the gears. In revenge, the other bus left the good Brother and the basketball team stranded between Martinez and Walnut Creek after blowing two of its three pistons.

THE LUCK OF THE IRISH—After getting his picture in the Bay Area Gazettes, Joe Flahavan beamed with modest pride only to find that the caption had him tagged as Joe Flannigan. Begorra!!

JUST DIS-GUYS—Local social circles are agog at the whirl Jack "Buckets" Buick has been giving his two island friends, Sam and Bill. Are you sure they are from the Islands? Are you sure they are? Are you sure? Are you?

TWO DOLLAR HOLLER—The Muser can't even stick his head out of his cell without some member of the chain (letter) gang button holing him and furtively whispering to him, "Do you want to buy a letter?" I've spent $2,048 already trying to sell my two.

The Bystander

By MARIO COTRUVO

It is not supposed to be this newspaper's policy to berate or criticize the judgment of 'higher ups" on the campus. The administration usually has a reason, and a good one, for every move they make. But once and a while, especially toward the beginning of another semester it is a good thing for the "pillar of truth" to ask a few questions concerning school policy.

Last year it was proposed by a group of students, that a course of Italian be instituted into the curricula. Their main argument being that the language had been taught here previously. "Why?" they asked, "can't we be taught a language which will not only be a practical aid to use in the future, but will also open up a new world of culture in Italian literature?"

WILLING TO TEAC H

They informed the administration that a professor on the campus was willing to teach the course. However, despite the logical argument the group offered, they were brushed aside with a cool "We are not equipped to teach the language." Thus came an end to a perfectly sound movement.

And once again this year, students are asking similar questions. "Why can't we be taught Italian?" they ask. We can't think of one feasible reason why the course should not be taught. If German, French and Spanish can be offered to students whose main concern is getting credits for their efforts, then certainly the addition of the Italian language would be justified, since many on the campus actually look forward to taking it.

A LARGE GROUP

The fact that the Italians represent one of the large, if not the largest, groups on the campus should be reason enough to warrant the instruction of this Romance language. The only source of contact with their heritage is the Dante Club, which although fosters Italian culture, does not near enough answer the wants to learn and speak the language.

Secondly, we ask, why it is that the Irish group can be instructed in such subjects as Irish history, and even in the tongue itself, while a majority group goes neglected? We hardly think it fair under the circumstances. Such subjects as French and Spanish are in themselves a good thing, since they have been accepted by intellectuals as a medium to higher larning, spcifically in diplomatic and literature fields. That is why they are taught at Saint Marys.

PRACTICAL VIEWPOINT

Aside from the cultural aspect of the question, there is also the practical viewpoint to be looked after. Many on this campus are aware of the Italian influence. They know of the Dante Club, and the imposing record it has set. Not only have they ben the most active club, but have contributed much to a successful schol year. However, within this large group, there are many who understand Italian, yet cannot speak it. Conversely there are many who speak the language, but cannot read or write it.

There is the crux of the problem. Would it not be practical, and also rewarding to the administration, to institute an Italian course at Saint Marys to teach these earnest students how to read, or write, or speak their old world tongue? Surely it would, for in this postwar world, where many men are called to go to foreign countries and rebuild, the need for language is acutely felt. The administration need not take any tremendous risk in embarking on the program. They could set up a trial class for one semester, and upon the outsome, determine whether or not it would be a worthy project to keep.

A STUDENT WANT

The administration need only remember one factor. The students want this course, and it is up to the school officials to see that their desire or needs are fulfilled.

It is not asking too much. If this be a Liberal Arts college, then a well rounded curriculum should be its by-word. The lack of an Italian course does not make this college fit into that category. Other institutions have done it, and are doing it, for they realize the significant world situation, and how in the future well versed students will be he only soluion for enduring peace.

We are certain the results will be ample reward for the small risk involved in teaching a subject which will be an aid, a real aid, in the ominous future.

In Review

By DAN ARZAC

Unquestionably the most important undertaking in American student history is the new United States National Student Association. Writing in **Concord**, a monthly for the student community published under the auspices of the Young Christian Students, Jim Smith, a Catholic prominent in the new organization, points the way to cooperative action on a wide variety of non-political activities.

Foreign national student associations have ably and intelligently represented the interests of their members before government agencies and educational groups. The presence of such problems in schools as poor food and housing, racial discrimination, and tense faculty-student relations are indicative of the need for such an organization in our own country.

NO OBSTACLES WANTED

It is encouraging to observe, then, the rapid growth of the NSA. Already 1,300,000 students from over 350 American colleges and universities are members, and these figures are rapidly expanding. Even more encouraging is the conscientious Christian democratic spirit which pervades the association. Catholics alone comprise 35 per cent of the membership.

The major advantage of membership is contact. Concerted action, reliable statistics, accurate information which is assembled in one place and easily accessible, these make NSA worthwhile. As in international and domestic political developments, there is no room today for isolation at the student level.

Equally important is the fact that the local student government remains the final arbitrator in regard to applying the decisions of the NSA. Individual sovereignty is not abandoned, and still the advantages of cooperation are brought into existence. Nothing can be imposed on a given student body which is contrary to its religious or political beliefs.

Indeed, the importance that NSA is to have on any campus depends not on the activities of executive groups of the organization, but on what is done on the campus by the students themselves, using the NSA facilities at their disposal.

REALLY STUDENT AFFAIR

Beyond the purely national phase, the association looks forward to international student cooperation. Low-cost summer travel tours abroad are being organized, which will benefit both the Americans involved and the foreign students they will meet. A limited, non-political relationship with the International Union of Students is contemplated.

The possibility of Communist infiltration into the NSA has been minimized by forbidding membership to other organizations; only actual student bodies can belong, not associations like the American Youth for Democracy or the National Federation of Catholic College students. To further safeguard their integrity, it is the duty of Catholics who become members to make sure Christian principles are at all times adhered to by the NSA.

So many potentialities are present in the new organization that they astound one. It is impossible to predict the direction these will take, except insofar as one knows who is in the association. From this knowledge one can conclude what characteristics NSA will have. It is no exaggeration to state that we have here an opportunity to carry an apostolate among our fellow students.

On the Level

By FATHER MOSS

Have you heard of the initials, CMOA? They are not the call-letters of St. Mary's campus radio station. They stand for, Convert Makers of America and are the initials of a movement started in Los Angeles under the direction of Father John E. Odou, S. J. In substance the movement aims to enlist eager, alert, young Catholics in the task of using their everyday opportunities to help make converts.

The days between January 18, the Feast of St. Peter's Chair and January 25, the Feaet of the Conversion of St. Paul, will comprise what is known as the Church Unity Octave, a period of eight days of prayer on the part of Catholics throughout the world, for the convention of millions of persons who are outside of the True Fold. Prayer alone, however, will not bring about the conversion of many people who need instruction in order to acquaint them with the fundamental tenets of the Catholic Church. It is one of the aims of the CMOA to tell others about the truths of Our Faith.

STEPS TO FOLLOW

In the brochure which he publishes delineating the aims of the movement, Father Odou cites the methods in which these eager, alert, young Catholics can do their work. There are thre steps which they must follow as individuals: (1) They bring religion into their conversion with at least one new person a month, and follow up other contacts already made. (2) They invite visitors to Mass on the conviction that anyone who will attend Mass for three consecutive Sundays is a potential convert. (3) They write a letter each week to Rev. John E. Odou, S. J. telling about their convert endeavors, asking for advice and procedure recommendations for their individual cases.

Acting in groups the members: (1) Promote the organization of Catholic Information Centers, (2) Organize Convert Clubs of parish members recently received into the Church, (3) Meet as small discussion groups to compare convert meking endeavors and discuss points or religion with each other.

CONVICTIONS

These individual and joint activities on the part of the CMOA'ers are the results of the following convictions: (1) That Faith is the most precious gift which they possess, (2) that this gift should not be hoarded but shared by others, (3) That many non-Catholics are anxious to know about the Catholic Church but are reluctant to apply at the priest's house for instructions, (4) That the laity can help to make converts, (5) That good example, although necessary is not of itself enough to make converts, (6) that there must be something more than good example—and that is telling others about the truths of our faith.

Like the Christophers, which we have mentioned before in this column, there are no officers, no dues and no compulsory meetings. Each member progresses on his own initiative and does not have to wait for the group to act. The only definite requirement is that each CMOA'er must write a letter each week to Father Odou telling about his convert making endeavors for that week. These letters are always answered personally by the Director.

AN INSPIRATION

This is the first time to our knowledge that convert making has ben put upon such a widespread scale. It is hoped that the Church Unity Octave will inspire some of the men o St. Mary's to volunteer in this laudable movement. That millions outside the Church are awaiting an encouraging word or friendly tip to put them on the road of conversion is indicated by the writings of recent converts to the Church. The mandate to go forth and preach the Gospel to every creature was given to His Apostles by Our Divine Lord, but He never intended that the work of winning souls was to stop with them. The layman as well as the priest must work together if the fond hope of "One Fold and One Shepherd is to be realized."

The students and faculty of Saint Mary's College express their condolences to Sophomore James Holten on the recent death of his father.

A Mass will be said in the Chapel Friday morning for the repose of his soul.

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